

Resolution No.: 16-1363  
Introduced: May 20, 2010  
Adopted: May 20, 2010

**COUNTY COUNCIL  
FOR MONTGOMERY COUNTY, MARYLAND**

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By: County Council

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**SUBJECT:** Approval of Executive Regulation 6-10AM, *Emergency Medical Service Transport Fees*

**Background**

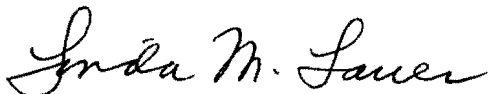
1. On May 13, 2010, the Council received proposed Regulation 6-10, *Emergency Medical Service Transport Fees*, from the Executive.
2. The Council must review Regulation 6-10 under method (2) of Section 2A-15 of the County Code.
3. The Council reviewed Regulation 6-10 on May 19, 2010, and requested certain amendments.
4. The Executive amended Regulation 6-10 as the Council requested, and reissued and re-numbered it Executive Regulation 6-10AM to indicate that it was amended after transmittal to the Council.

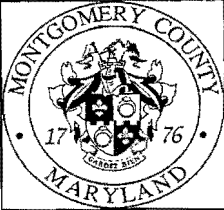
**Action**

The County Council for Montgomery County, Maryland approves the following resolution:

Executive Regulation 6-10AM, *Emergency Medical Service Transport Fees*, is approved.

This is a correct copy of Council action.

  
Linda M. Lauer, Clerk of the Council



# MONTGOMERY COUNTY EXECUTIVE REGULATION

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<b>Subject</b> Emergency Medical Service Transport Fees	<b>Number</b> 6-10 AM
<b>Originating Department</b> Montgomery County Fire and Rescue Services	<b>Effective Date</b> July 1, 2010

## Montgomery County Regulation on

### EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICE TRANSPORT FEES

Issued by: County Executive

Regulation No. 6-10 AM

COMCOR: Chapter 21

Authority: Montgomery County Code Section 21-23A

Supersedes: N/A

Council Review: Method (2) under Code Section 2A-15

Register Vol. 27, No. 4

Effective Date: Date Bill 13-10, Emergency Medical Services Transport Fee –

Established becomes effective (July 1, 2010 implementation date)

Comment Deadline: April 16, 2010

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**Summary:** This Regulation establishes: (1) An emergency medical services transport fee schedule; and (2) a requirement that an individual who receives an emergency medical services transport provide certain information and execute an assignment of certain health insurance benefits.

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## Section 1. Fee Schedule.

- a. In imposing and collecting the emergency medical services transport fee authorized under Code Section 21-23A, the Fire Chief must comply with all applicable provisions of 42 CFR Parts 410 and 414, *Fee Schedule for payment of Ambulance Services and Revisions to the Physician Certification Requirements for Coverage of Non-emergency Ambulance Services*.



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- b. The Fire Chief must impose the emergency medical services transport fee according to the following schedule:

- i. \$8.50 per mile, one way, from point of pick up to the health care facility; plus
- ii. 

• Basic Life Support – Non-emergency*	\$300.00
• Basic Life Support – Emergency*	\$400.00
• Advanced Life Support – Level 1 – Non-emergency*	\$350.00
• Advanced Life Support – Level 1 – Emergency*	\$500.00
• Advanced Life Support – Level 2*	\$700.00
• Specialty Care Transport*	\$800.00

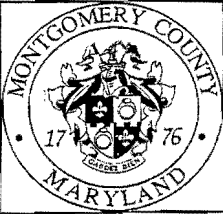
\* The terms in the schedule are as defined in 42 CFR Parts 410 and 414.

## Section 2. Required Information; Assignment of Benefits.

- a. An individual who receives an emergency medical services transport must furnish to the County, or its designated agent, information pertaining to the individual's health insurer (or other applicable insurer).
- b. An individual who requests a hardship waiver must provide to the Fire Chief any financial information that the Fire Chief determines is necessary for determining eligibility for a waiver of the fee.
- c. Each insured individual who receives an emergency medical services transport must execute an assignment of benefits necessary to permit the County to submit a claim for the fee to the applicable third-party payor.
- d. The Fire Chief must increase the amount of the fees in the schedule annually by the amount of the Ambulance Inflation Factor (AIF), as published by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS), United States Department of Health and Human Services. The Fire Chief must publish the new fee schedule in the Register each year when the fee schedule is updated.

## Section 3. Severability.

If a court of final appeal holds that any part of this regulation is invalid, that ruling does not affect the



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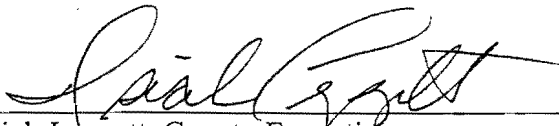
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validity of other parts of the regulation.

## Section 4. Effective Date.

This regulation is effective on the date Bill 13-10, Emergency Medical Services Transport Fee – Established becomes effective, and must be implemented beginning on July 1, 2010 in accordance with Section 3 of Bill 13-10.

Approved:

  
Isiah Leggett, County Executive

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY.  
OFFICE OF COUNTY ATTORNEY  
BY Marc Hansen  
DATE 5/18/10